

GERMANY FOILED NO RUSSIAN BILL OF RIGHTS SOCIETY RESORTS

FRANCE REJECTS AUSTRIAN PLAN

Would Not Discuss Idea of Taking Four Moroccan Ports from Control.

NEW SCHEME ON FOOT

Latest Idea Is to Give Police Inspector More Powers, but Not to Call Him Commander.

FURTHER DELAY THREATENED

Powers May Demand Explanation of Germany's Putting Forward Impracticable Proposals.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.]
The Herald's European edition publishes the following from its correspondent:
ALGERIA, Spain, Wednesday.—To the astonishment of people here, it transpired this morning that Wilhelmstrasse professed on Monday last to believe that the dropping of Casa Blanca and taking away in return four ports from the Franco-Spanish police inspection, as put forward in the latest Austrian proposal, would make an early and successful solution of the conference possible.

Why, Germany, in putting up Austria as godfather for such a proposition, has placed herself in the position of a usurper who says, "All right, as a favor I will lend you money, but I will charge you five per cent for it."
Such a cold blooded proposal can have blinded no one as to its real meaning. Germany herself must have very ingenious politicians at work in Wilhelmstrasse who the French are very foolish to suggest such an idea. The cross counter given to Germany was short, sharp and decisive.

Worse indignity could not have been delivered to the Germans than the refusal even to discuss the proposal. Acting upon the sharp rebuff given them, the Germans have apparently dropped the matter.

Now we are told from Austria that again be made use of to bring forward another plan, the point of which will be to give the inspector more powers, but avoiding any further mention of the offensive word "commander."

If Germany chooses to develop such an idea in a loyal spirit, without exacting impossible quid pro quo, as was done by the last proposal, causing the Spanish and French to meet her in a similar mood. But she certainly will not find her so if there are any Teutonic tricks, to which the conference has become accustomed, hidden beneath it.

Germany if any proposition of hers is to have a chance of success must make it both in spirit and practice so that it in no way infringes upon Franco-Spanish control of the police, and further, Spain and France must each desire under police control. If such lines are not adhered to failure alone can result.

Powers Vexed at Delay.
If Germany brings forward further equivocal and impracticable propositions, knowing well, as she must know now, what is acceptable and what is not, then she stands convicted of voluntarily and wantonly delaying the proceedings of the conference.

Then the Powers will have full right to put in a joint demand, asking what it means, because already, apparently, the systematic Teutonic delays are causing much suspicion. The question is being asked, is Germany playing for delay in order better to prepare herself to make up her mind either to insist on delect and stop her policy of bartering as though the conference hall were a corner of a ghetto instead of what should be a dignified meeting of diplomatists to decide what is the best stable and durable understanding on the subject of Morocco.

Germany appears wisely to have dropped the idea of asking for horses, Spain and France share in the task. That also had the chance of success. Germany has plenty of friends here, but only if her suggestions are reasonable will they support her.

KAISER TO SEE ITALY'S KING

Rumored in Rome That Emperor Will Meet Victor Emmanuel.

Rome (La Prensa Special), Wednesday.—A rumor is current that the Emperor William will arrive in Italy on the steamship Hamburg and will have an interview with King Victor Emmanuel.

FRANCE ACCEPTS INSPECTOR

But Holds That Conference Must Decide as to His Functions.

BERLIN, Wednesday, M. Bourgeois, German Foreign Minister, informed the German Ambassador, Prince von Radolin, at Paris, on Saturday last, that France accepted in principle the inspectorship of the Franco-Spanish police for Morocco, as proposed by Austria-Hungary, the precise functions of the inspector to be decided by the delegates to the conference at Algiers.

INSPECTOR MUST CONTROL

Germany Insists That Official Must Exercise Real Influence.

COLOGNE, Wednesday.—The Gazette today prints an inspired Berlin despatch saying that in the negotiations now proceeding between France and Germany regarding the Moroccan police inspectorship, Germany insists upon a highly important neutral inspector whose functions shall be so formulated that he can exercise a real influence upon the activity of the police.

MR. ROOT OPTIMISTIC

State Department Advises Say Germany Is Becoming Conciliatory.

HERALD BUREAU, No. 734 FIFTEENTH STREET, N. W., Washington, D. C., Wednesday.—Mr. Root is very optimistic over the situation at Algiers. The despatches yesterday and to-day from there have been very hopeful. The text of those despatches, or a paraphrase of the text, is withheld from the State Department, but it is understood that they say that a more conciliatory spirit is being shown by the various European Powers, particularly by Germany, and that the end of the conference seems close at hand.

EARTHQUAKE PANIC ON ITALIAN ISLE

Ustica Shaken to Its Foundation and Great Valley Is Dredged in Centre.

NEW VOLCANO FORMED

All the Houses Destroyed and Terror Stricken Population Flees to Fields and Boats.

CONVICTS THREATEN REVOLT

Government Sends Relief to Victims and Troops to Keep Order in Penal Settlement.

Special cable to La Prensa, of Buenos Aires, transmitted to the Herald for simultaneous publication:
PALERMO, Wednesday.—There have been twenty-one earthquake shocks on the island of Ustica during the last three days. The population lives in constant terror. A great valley has been formed in the centre of the island and all the houses have been demolished. The shocks were vertical, not undulatory, and were accompanied by loud subterranean rumblings.

The last shocks, which occurred this afternoon, finished the work of destruction. Panic seized upon the two thousand inhabitants of the island, who abandoned their homes after the first visitation of the earthquakes, and camped in the fields and public squares. Many took refuge in boats in the harbor.

One of the three mountains on the island is reported by the submarine cable to be in eruption. The government at the first news sent the cruiser Varese to reinforce the revolt of the prisoners and aid the sufferers. She was followed by the cruiser Eurydice, with a scientific commission aboard to study the seismic phenomena. To-day the steamship Egea was sent with soldiers, doctors, a detachment of the Red Cross nurses and litter, as greater dangers are feared. The prefect of Palermo has been ordered to send a representative to the scene.

Ustica is an island of two thousand inhabitants in the province of Palermo, sixty-eight miles north-west of this city. Its soil is very fertile.

AUSTRIA ACCEPTS NEW AMBASSADOR

Believes Mr. Roosevelt Would Not Nominate Anybody Who Is Not Acceptable.

VIENNA, Wednesday.—Austria's Foreign Office was informed this afternoon of the appointment of Mr. Charles R. Francis, to be United States Ambassador at Vienna. It is understood that Mr. Francis is acceptable to Austria, as it is taken for granted that President Roosevelt would not nominate anybody who was not acceptable.

Officials here are reticent with regard to the resignation of Mr. Storer. They say, however, that Mr. Storer always was courteous during official negotiations, and instance his conduct in the case of Mr. Marcus Braun, special inspector of the United States Immigration Service, who made charges against officials at Budapest of tampering with his mail.

It is reported here that Mr. Storer will only return temporarily to the United States and that he intends to settle permanently in France.

MR. STORER RESIGNED

Retiring Ambassador to Austria Refuses to Discuss Causes.

CAIRO, Egypt, Wednesday.—Mr. Bellamy Storer, retiring American Ambassador to Austria-Hungary, was seen to-day, but he declined to discuss the reasons for his retirement. Mr. Storer said his resignation was transmitted to Washington on March 7. He was aware that it had been accepted, but had no statement to make on the subject.

Smoking Car for Women in England

LONDON, Wednesday.—The first smoking car ever reserved for women in Great Britain left a big London terminus to-day for Liverpool. The windows bore a label reading "Ladies' Smoking." The innovation attests the spread of smoking among English women during recent years.

\$47,500,000 for Boer War Claims

JOHANNESBURG, Wednesday.—The South African Compensation Committee, which is examining claims for losses during the Boer war, has completed its labors. The committee examined no less than eighty-nine thousand demands, the aggregate of which forms a total approximately of \$47,500,000. The sum of \$47,500,000 has been allowed for the settlement of these claims.

MINERS AGAINST MINERS

French Strikers in Two Camps Threaten to Attack Each Other.

LENS, Pas-de-Calais, France, Wednesday.—A thousand more troops, including a large force of cavalry, are being assembled here owing to the menacing spread of the miners' strike. The strikers are divided into the extreme and the moderate, who threaten to attack each other.

Khedive Receives Admiral Sigsbee

Commander of the American Squadron Entertained with Honors in Cairo, Where He Will Return to Dine with the Ruler of Egypt.

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Rear Admiral Sigsbee was entertained this evening by the American Consul General and Mrs. Idings. There were many

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CROWN RESTRICTS ISLE OF PINES RUSSIA'S ASSEMBLY TREATY CHANGED

Tsar Retains a Supreme Check in Senate Will Expunge Article Involving Cuba's Grant of Naval Stations.

Parliament.
HEBREWS FLEE FOR SAFETY CUBAN OFFICIALS ACCUSED

Fear Growing of a Massacre at Easter, While an Outbreak Occurs in the Crimea.

St. Petersburg, Wednesday.—The imperial manifesto and the ukases of March 5, which incorporate in the fundamental law of the empire the provisions for a national assembly in Russia, promised in the manifesto last fall, are disappointing in many respects. They constitute neither a constitution nor a "bill of rights" for the Russian people. They do create a popular assembly, but the powers granted to it are so hedged about with restrictions and conditions that it will be rather a Parliament in name than in fact.

Nevertheless, in the terms of the manifesto the Emperor himself is powerless to revoke what he has now given. This constitutes the great victory which the people have won. Still, an examination of the documents shows clearly that their purpose has been to inure the government at every point against the assaults of the people.

The Council of the Empire, or Upper Chamber, as reorganized, provides for the election of only half the members, and these are chosen by the nobility, clergy, Zemstvo and commercial interests, so that with the other half directly nominated by the crown the government can always impose a decision of the council as a buffer between it and the direct representatives of the people in the Duma, or lower house. Certain important questions, notably military and naval matters, are reserved to the Council of the Empire, the Cabinet, the Provincial General Governors and other functionaries of the government.

The three highest ranks in the Russian hierarchy, are excluded entirely from the jurisdiction of the Duma, and are freely assigned to committees or commissions, as they are called, of the Council of the Empire.

The main weapon retained by the Emperor in his power to dissolve Parliament at will, this coupled with the government's ability to promulgate temporary laws, leave the government master of the situation whenever it cares to employ this means of escape. The Emperor, who is elected by the Duma, is elected for five years, but by imperial ukase when the two houses are dissolved the Emperor can order new elections.

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Among those to pose in the tableaux are Mrs. Edward B. Thomas, Mrs. Archibald B. Alexander, Mrs. E. Nutt Potter, the Misses Beatrice and Constance Pratt, Dorothy Roosevelt, Edith Deacon, Edith Kane, Nannie Duval and several young men of the dancing set. The "picture" will be arranged by Miss Constance Curtis, Mrs. Sherwood and Mr. Stanford White. Paintings by ancient and modern masters will be followed.

The musical part of the entertainment will be given by the Symphony Club, an amateur organization, under the leadership of Mr. David Mauney, and there will be songs by Mrs. M. Davis, Bismarck and Mrs. Longworth. There has been a gratifying sale of seats and boxes, which precludes a handsome profit. Among the patrons are Messrs. E. B. Plerson, Hamilton, James Markoe, Charles Steele, Robert D. Pruyn, Richard Irvin, Louis Lee, Longworth, Charles D. Freeman and Anson Mac Beard.

MISS CRITTEN'S WEDDING.

Miss Mignon Critten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. De Fries Critten, of Grymes Hill, Tompkinsville, Staten Island, will be married to Representative Swager Sherry, of Louisville, Ky., at the home of the bride's parents, on April 21.

Miss Critten and her fiancé were members of the Taft Philippine party, and the announcement of their engagement came about the same time as that of the President's daughter to Representative Longworth.

The wedding will not be an elaborate affair, and only the immediate relatives and intimate friends of the contracting parties will witness the ceremony. Among the guests will be Representative and Mrs. Longworth, and other members of the Taft party.

REICHSTAG FLOUTS KAISER.

Refuses Its Sanction for a Colonial Secretaryship Filled by Prince Hohenlohe-Langenburg.

BERLIN (La Prensa special), Wednesday.—The Kaiser some time ago offered his cousin, Prince Hohenlohe-Langenburg, the Colonial Secretaryship. Hitherto there has been only an under secretary, subservient to the Foreign Secretary. The Budget Committee to-day rejected the bill for the creation of the office of Colonial Secretary.

Pope and Austrian Emperor.

Rome (La Prensa special), Wednesday.—The Osservatore Romano, organ of the Vatican, denies a report published by some journals that the Pope had absolved the Austrian Emperor of the oath he had taken to support the Hungarian constitution.

Ras Makonnen Dying.

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Busts of Caesar and Augustus Sold to M. Wittorski at Paris Auction

in Hotel Drouot.

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The Southeaster sale at the Hotel Drouot to-day the principal lot was two bronze busts of ancient Italian work, representing in life size Caesar and Augustus. The auctioneer announced before the sale that the busts were in two parts, heads and bodies, and, though fitted perfectly, it was possible that they did not belong to each other.

Both, however, are undoubtedly ancient. The upset price was 30,000 francs, for which they were acquired by M. Wittorski.

WHITMAN AT THE ARTS CLUB

It was Walt Whitman night at the National Arts Club yesterday. Mrs. Amy Grant, who is widely known for her recitations to musical accompaniment, gave an informal talk on the poet and his work. Mr. Franklin Harris, who has composed the most expressive music to accompany any of Whitman's poems, played on the piano while Mrs. Grant recited these.

There was a large attendance at the club and much applause, both for Mrs. Grant and Mr. Harris.

ELECTION AT THE "LEAGUE"

The annual election held at the Art Students' League last night resulted in the choice of Mr. Arthur N. Fuller for president, Miss Christine Rice and Mr. Robert Lisbeth for vice presidents and for the Board of Control Miss Amelia Ives and Messrs. Thomas Hunt and H. Daniel Webster. Honorary memberships were voted to Messrs. Frank Vincent, Du Mond, Ed. Hot Daininger, George B. Bridgman, Edwin H. Blashfield, Daniel C. French, Irving H. Wiles and Herman A. McNeil.

KING OF ITALY'S GIFT TO PRESIDENT

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